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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Todd A. Dunning et al.

Application No.: 09/767,646

Filed: January 22, 2001

Group No.: 3625

Examiner: SMITH, Jeffrey

For: SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR REGISTERING AN

UNREGISTERED VENDOR/PRODUCT IN A BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS NETWORK-BASED FRAMEWORK

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 3625

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY (37 C.F.R. § 10.40(c))

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO WITHDRAW

1. I, an agent signing below, respectfully request permission to withdraw from all further responsibility in this case, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.36.

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF CLIENT

2. The last known mailing address of the assignee of the entire interest is:

BUYLINK CORPORATION

15 High Bluff

Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

Date: 4/15/2004

Attn: Brian Dunning

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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BASIS FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

3. The basis for the request for withdrawal is 37 C.F.R. 10.40(c) § (1).

Explanation (including brief description of exhibits, if any):

The client has failed to provide the required retainer to prepare a response to office action. See, for example, Exhibit A which includes a letter to the client dated October 7, 2003 requesting the retainer.

ALLOWANCE OF TIME FOR CLIENT TO ACT

- 4. Status of this Application
 - A. Response due
- (i) There is an outstanding term for response that is set to expire on May 17, 2004. The above term is extendible under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), until September 17, 2004 and the fees for such extension are not being submitted herewith.
 - B. Time Left for Response

Therefore, the amount of time for response, including extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), is at least 5 months.

NOTIFICATION OF CLIENT

5. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(a), a copy of this request, including attachments, is being sent to the client.

A copy of the letter to the client is attached.

NUMBER OF COPIES OF REQUEST

- 6. This request is enclosed in triplicate.
- 7. Related Applications for Which Withdrawal is Requested

None.

SIGNATURE OF WITHDRAWING PRACTITIONER

8. Signature(s) of the agent(s) withdrawing (or signature of an authorized attorney on behalf of an agent withdrawing)

Signature of withdrawing practitioner

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April 15, 2004

Brian Dunning BuyLink Corporation 15 High Bluff Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

> Withdrawal of Power of Attorney Re:

Dear Brian:

Per our recent correspondence of 10/07/03, we have filed a Request for Withdrawal of Power of Attorney paperwork with the Patent and Trademark Office for the following application:

09/767,646

3625

Submitted 4/15/2004

A copy of such paperwork is enclosed for your records.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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EXHIBIT A



October 7, 2003

Via Federal Express

Brian Dunning
Buy Link Corporation
15 High Bluff
Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

Re: Patent Application Entitled: SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM

PRODUCT FOR A REBATE FLATURE IN A BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS NETWORK-

BASED FRAMEWORK
Inventors: T. Dunning et al.
Application No.: 09/639,388
Filing Date: August 15, 2000
Our Reference: BUY1P001

Dear Brian:

This message is a follow-up to our previous discussions with Buy Link regarding its bankruptcy proceeding some time ago.

We are enclosing for your records a copy of an Office Action we received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) for the above-referenced patent application. A response to this Office Action is due on or before <u>December 29, 2003</u>. In order to prepare a response we require a \$1,500.00 retainer by <u>November 29, 2003</u>. In the event we do not receive a retainer, we will assume that you do not wish to respond to the Office Action and understand that the application will go abandoned.

We will further be withdrawing our power of attorney from all of your files, if we do not hear from you by the above deadline.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Siligon Yalley IP Group, PC

Kevin J. Zilka

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